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[OMB Control No. 2900-0495]

Agency Information Collection (Marital Status Questionnaire) Activity under OMB Review

AGENCY: Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501-3521), this notice announces that the Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, will submit the collection of information abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The PRA submission describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden; it includes the actual data collection instrument.

DATE: Comments must be submitted on or before [Insert date 30 days after date of publication in the FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the collection of information through www.Regulations.gov; or to VA's OMB Desk Officer, OMB Human Resources and Housing Branch, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503 (202) 395-7316. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0495" in any correspondence.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Crystal Rennie, Enterprise Records Service (005R1B), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20420, (202) 632-7492 or e-mail crystal.rennie@va.gov. Please refer to “OMB Control No. 2900-0495.”

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION:

Title: Marital Status Questionnaire, VA Form 21-0537.

OMB Control Number: 2900-0495.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: VA Form 21-0537 is used to confirm the marital status of a surviving spouse receiving dependency and indemnity compensation benefits (DIC). If a surviving spouse remarries, he or she is no longer entitled to DIC unless the marriage began after age 57 or has been terminated.

The *Federal Register* Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on April 25, 2013, at pages 24469-24470.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 189 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 5 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 2,270.

Dated: August 7, 2013.

By direction of the Secretary:

Crystal Rennie, VA Clearance Officer,
U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

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